



# St Mary's Catholic Church Clapham

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Sunday Mass Times: 5.30pm (Sat Vigil), 8am, 10am, 12 noon  
Portuguese Mass: Sunday 5.30pm. Chaplain Fr Marcos Pinto 020 7587 0881  
Weekday Masses: 7am and 12.30pm Saturday Masses: 9.30am and 12.30pm  
Confessions on Saturday 10am-10.30am, 4.45-5.15pm, 6.30-7pm, 7.30pm  
Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Succour (Help) every Saturday at 7pm

## Thirteenth Sunday Ordinary Time (A)

I would really like to take this opportunity to thank the parish for their wonderful hosting of the Novena in honour of Our Mother of Perpetual Succour.

People came from all around London and were very impressed by the warmth of the welcome they received. Thank you also to the many individuals who went around quietly doing really important jobs - you know who you are - I thank you!

At the same time I would like to thank the Redemptorists from this monastery who preached with passion, with fun, with scholarly aplomb, and with deep courage and conviction. Thank you Brothers!

Some people did say that this was the best Novena ever! I am not in a position to be able to judge the veracity of these statement, however I suspect there might be something to these claims!



Some of us may not know this, but our War Memorial in the courtyard was built and erected in 1920, by Sir Giles Gilbert Scott. You may or may not know this name, but this fellow is the designer of the classic iconic red telephone box, being his smallest building! and the Anglican Cathedral in Liverpool, being his largest building. The names our dead are all engraved on the stone, though hardly any are still visible. For this being the Centenary of the WWI it might be a suitable project to see how we could restore this wonderful monument.

For the moment I shall leave this with you - all thoughts gratefully received!

**Have a good and holy week. Fr Richard Reid CSsR, Rector and Parish Priest.**

**Office Hours** for the Parish Office are **10am - 1.30pm** and **2.30pm - 6pm**. To make contact directly with **the parish secretary**, phone **0207 501 3961**

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**Please pray for all those who are sick:**

Patrick Jarrett, Elaine Jarrett, Theresa Hunt,  
Sr Chris Fealey FMDM, Mary Donellan DHS,  
Michael Sullivan, John Jackson and Breeda Bell

**Those who have died recently:**

Jimmy O'Malley, Paul Kavanagh and Barbara  
Jannaway

**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:**

Cesare Romano, Katerine O'Brien and Mary  
Josephine "Babby" Longden

**Some Dates for your Diary:**

3<sup>rd</sup> July – St Thomas (Apostle)  
6<sup>th</sup> July – St Maria Goretti  
9<sup>th</sup> July – Apostleship of the Sea  
11<sup>th</sup> July – St Benedict  
16<sup>th</sup> July – Feast of The Most Holy Redeemer  
22<sup>nd</sup> July – St Mary Magdalene  
25<sup>th</sup> July – St James (Apostle)

**Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> July – Sea Sunday**

On Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> July there will be a Special  
Collection for the Apostleship of the Sea

**Job Vacancy - The Redemptorist Youth Officer**

If you would like to know more or if you would like  
to apply contact the Parish Office for more  
information.

**Parish Surgery** - Mon, 3<sup>rd</sup> July 4.00-6.00 pm

**Next Parish Surgery** Mon, 10<sup>th</sup> July - 4.00-  
6.00 pm. Come along and see one of the  
priests. No appointment necessary.

**First Friday Lunch**

The next First Friday Lunch will be on **Friday,**  
**7<sup>th</sup> July.**

This will be the last one for the Summer

**Your financial contribution** last Sunday  
Gift Aid: £415.04 Loose Plate: £1,198.21

**Summer in the Forest**

Please see notice boards for information about  
this new film.

**Mass Etiquette**

**Do not receive from the chalice if you are  
sick.** This is an act of charity so that you do  
not pass germs on to others.

**Do not leave early.** Please stay to the end of  
the recession. While there are exceptions to  
this, most who leave early do not need to and  
ought not to.

**Leave quietly.** It's great to chat to friends but  
please wait until you are outside the church so  
you won't disturb those who want to stay and  
pray.

The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) met at a special meeting to look at some of the tougher issues arising in our society today and what we may be able to do to help. After a long discussion several proposals were put forward by the PPC

1. In order not to lose the bigger picture in our world, we will become closer to the Redemptorist Mission in **Zimbabwe** - the Parishes, the outreach to poor and vulnerable children, and the training of our future brothers and priests.
2. At a very local level we will become a close partner - a corporate sponsor - with the **Ace of Clubs** who do tremendous work for the very poor and homeless.
3. We are proud to say that the **St Vincent de Paul Society** functions in this parish. The PPC would like to give it more focus and attention that it might go from strength to strength.

These three proposals need further investigation and detailed planning; however this is the decision of the PPC and we shall move forward with this model in mind. If any of you are interested in working within any of these three groups please speak to either Fr David or Fr Richard or any one of the Parish Pastoral Council. You might also like to let us know of your interest through the Parish email - [office@stmarys-clapham.org.uk](mailto:office@stmarys-clapham.org.uk) - further information will be given once more discussion has taken place. If you have any comment, questions or ideas, please do get in touch.